

## **RHODE ISLAND VEHICLE VALUE COMMISSION**

### **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 16, 2013**

Meeting Convened at 2:06 p.m.

Members Present: Linda L. Cwiek, Chairperson  
Jill Barrette  
Elizabeth Fournier  
Ken Mallette  
David Quinn

Staff Present: Mark A. Simpkins

Approval  
Of Minutes: The Commission reviewed the minutes of the meeting held October 22, 2013. Ms. Barrette moved and Mr. Robert seconded a motion to accept the minutes of the meeting held on October 22, 2013. The motion passed unanimously.

Appeals: The Commission reviewed 5 appeals. The Commission has reviewed a total of 618 appeals during 2013. Commission members recuse themselves from acting on appeals from their communities due to a possible conflict of interest.

Mr. Robert moved and Ms. Barrette seconded a motion to deny appeals that were priced correctly, make appropriate changes to vehicles that were not priced in accordance with the methodology and to return the appeals not priced by the Commission. The motion passed unanimously.

Action: Ms. Cwiek moved and Mr. Quinn seconded a motion to approve Rule 2013 – Methodology for determining the presumptive value of motor vehicles subject to the excise tax as of December 31, 2013. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Cwiek discussed the possible appointment of a study commission in 2014 to explore alternatives to the current methodology. The suggestion was well received by all members of commission. Mr. Robert suggested the topic warranted further discussion at a future meeting. The commission agreed unanimously to schedule a meeting at a later date to further investigate alternatives.

Adjournment: On a motion by Ms. Barrette, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Mark A. Simpkins  
Staff to the Rhode Island Vehicle Value Commission